

Child Welfare Partners Committee

To: CWPC Steering Committee

From: Carol Gutchewsky and Chris Secrist, co-chairs

Workgroup Name: Training Workgroup

Purpose of Workgroup

The Training Workgroup shall function as an authorized subcommittee of Iowa's Child Welfare Partners Contracted Services Workgroup.

The Training Workgroup shall support training, which ensures an effective collaborative public-private practice model.

Members of the Workgroup

The Training Workgroup shall be comprised of eight individuals, including four from DHS and four from private child welfare agencies. Initial committee memberships is as follows:

	Partnership	
Role	Public	Private
Co-chairs * Set meetings and agenda, and represent steering committee	*Carol Gutchewsky	* Chris Secrist
Current members (additional members may be added) Roles to be defined in meetings * represent steering committee members	Pat Anderson	Pat Cirks
	Jody Hartz	Mike Mitchell
	*Wendy Rickman	Rick Venenga

Outcomes of the Workgroup

Objectives:

- To identify and prioritize child welfare training needs which cut across services areas and contracts;
- To develop recommendations for better coordination of child welfare training for public and private partners;
- To develop training strategies which link public-private agency practice to CFSR outcomes; and
- To translate quality assurance findings into meaningful mutual training and quality improvement approaches.

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Workgroup Deliverables:

- Workgroup will assist as needed in the implementation of the Family Interaction Plan training.
- Workgroup will develop a plan for assessing additional current child welfare practice needs.
- Workgroup will review existing child welfare training structures and committees and develop a proposal for streamlining by **6/30/09**.

Initial Tasks:

- Co-chairs will identify potential committee members and secure commitments from these members by **1/9/09**.
- Initial meeting of the workgroup will be held no later than **2/18/09**.

The Family Interaction Plan Workgroup is a subset of the Training Workgroup and includes the following members:

	Partnership	
Role	Public	Private
Co-chairs * Set meetings and agenda, and represent steering committee	*Wendy Rickman	* Chris Secrist
Current members (additional members may be added) Roles to be defined in meetings	Tracey Parker	Lori Mozena
	Margie Poorman	Mike Mitchell
	*Carol Gutchewsky	Pat Cirks
* represent steering committee members		